

No person shall make, and no candidate for mayor or city council or campaign treasurer shall solicit or accept, any contribution or loan which would cause the total amount contributed or loaned by that person to that candidate, including contributions or loans to all committees controlled by that candidate, to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) in any election cycle; provided, however, that the city council may, by ordinance, adjust such limit to reflect changes in the consumer price index; and provided further that nothing herein shall apply to a candidate's contribution of his or her personal funds to his or her own campaign contribution account. As used herein, "election cycle" means the period of time between the date of an election to the office of mayor or councilmember and the date of the next election to the same office.

(Ord. No. NS-2170, § 3, 7-20-92, approved at election 11-3-92)

Sec. 1207. Campaign committees and bank accounts.

A candidate for the office of mayor or city council shall have no more than one campaign committee and one campaign contribution account out of which all expenditures for the purpose of seeking such office shall be made. The campaign contribution account shall be established and maintained as set forth in Section 85201 of the Government Code.

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Sec. 1208. Enforcement.

- (a) Any person who knowingly or willfully violates sections 1206 or 1207 of this charter is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (b) Any resident of the city may bring an action, at a time during an election period or thereafter, in a court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin actual or threatened violations of, or to compel compliance with, or to obtain a judicial declaration regarding compliance with, section 1206 or 1207.
- (c) The city attorney may maintain, in the name of the city, or a resident of the city may maintain, in his or her own name, a civil action to recover from a candidate or a committee controlled by a candidate any contributions received by such candidate or committee in excess of the contribution limitations established by section 1206. Any money recovered in any such action shall be deposited in the city's general fund.

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